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\$375,000 KICKOFF: It was a chilly day last Monday but the atmosphere was warm when members of Minden and area service clubs gathered at the hospital construction site to mark the official start of the fund raising campaign for the new health care facilities in Minden and Haliburton. While the Foundation has been collecting money for the past two years, including management of the money pledged for the construction of chronic care beds at the Haliburton Hospital, the donations received on Monday represent the largest amount contributed since the campaign began. Campaign Chair Don Popple said the contributions offered an excellent opportunity to officially launch the campaign and give the service clubs credit for their hard work and support of the hospitals' capital works projects. Contributions were received from: the Minden Hospital Building Fund, \$165,000; the Minden Rotary Club, \$135,000; the Minden and District Lions Club, \$50,000; the Minden Kinsmen Club \$5,700; and the Rotary Club of Haliburton \$20,000

(part of a \$250,000 commitment, presented in Haliburton Wednesday.) The contributions, \$375,000 to the Foundation coffers, bring the current amount collected to \$1.9 million. The public portion of the \$20 million project is \$5.5 million. On hand for the occasion were, from the left, Ed Pergolas, Jerry Rome and Jeanne Anthon of the Minden Rotary Club, Jim Carrell of Minden Kinsmen Club, Ethel Muli of Minden Rotary, Jim Diceman of the Minden and District Lions Club, Dave Gray and Don Popple, vice chair and chair of the fund raising campaign, Jack Prentice of the Kinsmen Club, Barry Cray, chair of the Minden Hospital Building Fund, Bob Tudor, Dale Walker, Jack Brezina and Ray Selbie directors of the Foundation, Russ Fair treasurer of the Minden Hospital Building Fund, Paul Heffer, past president of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board and Gord Monk, vice chair of the fund raising campaign.

Drug raid nets \$650,000 worth of marijuana

They are calling it the largest drug seizure in Haliburton and Victoria counties.

The Kawartha Combined Drug Forces Unit, with the co-operation of the Minden/Coboconk OPP have seized \$650,000 worth of processed marijuana and cannabis resin from a Donald area home.

The OPP held a press conference on

December 21 to display the large amount of seized illegal substance, some 138 pounds of marijuana and one pound of cannabis resin. "It is the most significant bust in this area in a long time," said Detective Sergeant Kelly Anderson, of the Victoria/Haliburton Criminal Investigations Unit of the Ontario Provincial Police.

The month-long investigation that

resulted in the drug raid, stemmed from information received from the Peterborough area.

The Kawartha Combined Forces Drug Unit received information regarding a Dean George Mottle, 33 and David Charles Crawley 46, both of R.R.# 2 Haliburton. With this information, the Huronia Combined Joint Forces Drug Unit made contact with

the two men and arranged to meet for a drug purchase in the Barrie area on December 11. The contact was made and both Mottle and Crawley were arrested. According to the police, at the time they were arrested 51 pounds of marijuana was seized.

After the arrest, a search warrant was issued for a residence on Haliburton

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Detective Sergeant Kelly Anderson, of the Victoria-Haliburton Criminal Investigations Unit of the Ontario Provincial Police left, and Senior Constable Dave Fletcher display some of the confiscated marijuana seized at a residence on County Road One. The seizure totalled some \$650,000 of marijuana and cannabis resin as well as cash and several large items.

Drug raid

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County Road 1. The Minden/Coboconk detachment of the OPP assisted with the execution of the warrant and aided in the seizure of property. During the search, an additional 87 pounds of dried and packaged one pound bags of marijuana were seized. Each bag has an esti-

mated street value of over \$4,000. As well, one pound of cannabis resin, valued at \$8,000, was seized.

A second search warrant under the Proceeds of Crime legislation was also executed and approximately \$50,000 worth of property and cash was seized, including a Toyota Land Cruiser, a Yamaha Big Bear ATV, a computer, a Sony Digital camera, an air compressor and about \$600 in cash.

According to Anderson, the marijuana may have been sold locally or even across the country, depending on the network of contacts of the accused.

The pair has been charged with trafficking and possession for the purposes of trafficking under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act. The men are scheduled to appear in Minden Court on February 3. Both Mottle and Crawley have been released from custody.

Second term

Murdoch returned as Education chair

Cheryl Murdoch, the lone Haliburton County representative, has been chosen for a second term as the chair of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board. This is the second term for the chair as well as the completion of the first full year of the newly amalgamated school board.

"I can't believe that it has been a whole year," said Murdoch shortly after being re-



Cheryl Murdoch: another term

elected. Murdoch was nominated for the position along with Victoria County Trustee Judy Saunders, the current vice chair. Saunders lost to Murdoch but was nominated again for vice chair and won back her position after being challenged by Muskoka Trustee Linda Matthews.

Murdoch is hoping for a successful year ahead for the Trillium Lakelands Board. With the recent agreement with the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, Murdoch is looking for similar settlements with the elementary school teachers and Canadian Union of Public Employees in the coming year. "Hopefully that will bode well for us," said Murdoch.

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Sales Manager, Gregg Anderson presents The Times Hometown Christmas Winner, Diana Contin with the \$500.00 Grand Prize.



Santa's helpers

Surrounded by the generosity of Minden and area residents, volunteers spent the early part of last week sorting through toys and food for distribution in Christmas hampers. Organized by the Canadian Sunday School Mission in Minden, the volunteers put together 160 baskets for delivery just in time for Christmas.



ASES REMEMBERS: Archie Stouffer students participated once again in the Royal Canadian Legion Poster and Essay contest this year, contributing more entries than ever before. Here the Junior winners gather for a photo with Legion President Francine Newton. In the back, from the left are, Steven Trepanier, third place colour poster; Francine Newton; Nicole Armstrong, first place poetry and first place colour poster; Chelsea McKelvey, first place junior essay; Candace Lowes, second place colour poster; Julie Snell, third place poetry; and Myles Nicholson, first place black and white poster. In the front are, Jennifer Hicks, second place poetry; Laura Heise, third place black and white poster. Two junior competitors placed in the Zone contest including Chelsea McKelvey, second place essay and Myles Nicholson who placed third with his black and white poster.

Passenger killed in crash

One person was killed and three injured in a two vehicle collision on Highway 118 on December 21.

The accident took place at around 2:15 p.m. on Highway 118, 22 kilometres west of Highway 35 in Hindon Township. Alex McCracken, 28 of Haliburton was driving a Chevrolet Cavalier in the westbound lane, with passenger Shannon Buchanan, 23 also of Haliburton.

Also travelling in the westbound lane was 20 year-old Timothy Leech of London Ontario, as well as an unidentified male passenger. Leech's Pontiac Grand Prix lost control and was struck by McCracken's car on the passenger side.

McCracken and Buchanan were taken to the Haliburton Hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries. Leech was taken to the Minden hospital and then transferred to Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay for treatment of major injuries. The passenger in the Leech car was fatally injured in the collision. His name was withheld pending notification of the next of kin.

OPP 'fast tracks' stand-alone costing

Ontario Provincial Police Chief Superintendent Bill Hutton promised Haliburton County Council that he would fast track the costing for a stand alone OPP detachment for Haliburton County, based in Minden. Hutton also noted that another option is being discussed with Victoria and Haliburton County officials. That option would see Lindsay as the control centre for both counties, eliminating the need for administrative officers in two centres. The detachment in Minden would remain in either case. If Haliburton and Victoria police services were amalgamated, the administration would be handled through the Lindsay office.

Hutton admitted that some townships around Lindsay are investigating the option of buying their police services from the Town of Lindsay Police Department. That option only became available to those Victoria County townships when the Lindsay Police Force made a deal with Ops Township to provide its police services for a five-year term.

Hutton noted that if the amalgamation option is chosen, it would be up to the parties involved to decide what representation each would have on a police services board.

"If we go to Lindsay, we'll lose our autonomy," Councillor Jim McMahon said. "We want our own de-

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Y2K: municipalities scramble to catch up on a problem that just won't go away

Clayton Cameron delivered a sobering message to County Council Wednesday. The Anson, Hindon and Minden Public Works Superintendent attended a Y2K (the problems associated with computer chips when we reach the year 2000 are now referred to as "Y2K") Seminar hosted by the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) and Lang Michner earlier this month.

Cameron reported to AH&M council at the last meeting and he was asked to make a report to county council members as well.

Before beginning his report, Cameron stressed that councillors should not panic when they hear what he has to say. Then he told council that:

- local governments will be responsible for the health and safety of their residents
 - are required to make sure that an adequate supply of water, food and heated shelter is available for their residents should a crisis occur in the first several weeks of the year 2000
 - since Y2K problems are foreseeable and preventable, members of council and senior management officials may be held personally liable for losses suffered by individuals, businesses and industries in their areas, if they are not prepared
 - solicitors are forecasting a trillion dollar spin-off from Y2K law suits
- "And your insurance will not cover Y2K related claims," he said.

The potential problems stem from the use of computer chips which may fail when the year 2000 rolls around. Most computer chips manufactured prior to the past couple of years were designed to use only the last two digits of the year in their embedded calendars. Nobody is sure how these chips will affect the electronic equipment in which they are installed when the date reaches January 1, 2000, and the imbedded computer chips will read 01/01/00. Some experts predict horrendous problems, since computer chips are used in everything from thermostats and microwave ovens and are needed to operate municipal water supplies, sewer services and other utilities. They all could be affected.

"It is estimated that there are 60-billion chips out there, of which 600-million to 1.8-billion could malfunction," he explained. "The dilemma is that you don't know which chips will be affected until the sys-

tem is tested."

As an example, he noted that there are 50,000 chips in an airplane.

Ontario Hydro representatives at the seminar told the 200 participants that the public utility was 92 per cent compliant as of the first of December. It is expected to be completely compliant by the early stages of 1999, which will give the utility almost a full year to test its compliance.

Any computer which has been built in the past year or so will be Y2K compliant, but Cameron warned that there is no guarantee that even a new system won't shut down or scramble information if programs or downloaded information on the system is not Y2K compliant.

"If a supplier guarantees that a system is Y2K compliant, be suspicious," he cautioned. "They simply can not be certain."

Cameron noted that the lower tier councils are between a rock and a hard place when it comes to potential Y2K problems.

"Politically, council is in a no-win situation," he said. "If you do nothing and something goes wrong — that's bad news. If you do something and a problem still occurs you will be criticized for not doing enough. If you do something and nothing happens, you will be criticized for spending tax dollars for nothing."

In his presentation to the council of Anson, Hindon and Minden, Cameron cautioned, "Bell Canada and Ontario Hydro say they will be Y2K ready, but be prepared in case they are not. A municipality must be ready for any type of emergency."

He stressed the need to immediately form a Y2K Committee to address the critical needs and prepare a contingency plan for each area, as well as an action plan with time frames in which to address those items.

"For a Y2K program to succeed, we will require unwavering support from council, Cameron told AH&M council. "This may involve unpopular decisions which will have political fall-out — likely on the negative side."

He said that as a Y2K designated responsible individual, he must advise council that "we are already behind time."

Cameron suggested that the municipal Y2K Com-

mittee should include himself, Paula Stamp, Tammy McKelvey and one or two members of council. He added that council may wish to appoint Fire Chief Bill Hogg and other individuals to the committee.

In his address to county council, Cameron noted that another seminar will be held on January 28 and 29. He encouraged each municipal council to send a representative.

The county Y2K Committee will meet Thursday, January 7.

"We must have the political will and responsibility to show due diligence," said AH&M Reeve Jeanne Anthon.

The municipality has not set a date for its Y2K Committee's first meeting. Anthon said the municipality plans to wait until after the county's Y2K Committee meets and information is shared with all municipalities "so we're not all going off in separate directions."

She said she hopes all municipalities would send representatives to the next Y2K seminar.

"It's the unknown that we have to address," she said.

Police options

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tachment, with a staff sergeant and a full complement of officers."

"If you want a stand-alone police department, that's what we will cost for you," Hutton said.

He said costing for both options would be provided. He told council there are 576 municipalities and thousands of options to be costed.

"We're being inundated by requests for costing," he said, noting that it takes an average of between 45 and 60 days to do the costing calculations. The figures are based on workload analysis.

Councillor Ross Rigney said it is imperative that 24-hour service is maintained in the county.

Ultimately, it will be county council's decision which option will be best for the taxpayers of Haliburton County. Once the costing options are available, county council will mix and match the services it deems necessary to provide the maximum coverage.

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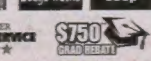
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We have made this observation before, but it is always worth reiterating, especially at this time of the year: Despite the many things we know or believe are "wrong" with this country, most of us would agree, there is no other place on this world we would want to call home.

One need only spend a few minutes watching the evening television news to realize that the problems Canadians spend hours wringing their hands about are just small pota-

toes when compared with what others are facing. We are not suggesting that our problems should be ignored or passed off as unimportant. On the contrary, there is much which could be done to make this a better country in which to live. There are still many here who do not share in the bounty of the nation, who have been marginalized or have difficulty accessing the basics of life. Certainly, these situations need to be addressed.

As we head into the new year, and we take stock individually and as a nation, it would be of value for us to realize that while our situation is not "perfect", it is certainly far and away better than what the citizens of most nations enjoy.

Let us not ignore what could be improved in this country, but also do not sell the nation short. Together we can make this an even better place to live.

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Helmets could eliminate head injuries in many recreational activities

An open letter to Ontario Premier Mike Harris, Minister of Transportation Tony Clement, and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police:

Gentlemen,

Having been associated with the Peterborough and District Head Injury Association for approximately a year, I have come to realize the devastation caused by a traumatic brain injury. This agency provides support and services to acquired brain injury survivors and, having had the opportunity to get to know some survivors, it is heart-breaking to deal with the fact that the serious effects of a brain injury will last a lifetime. These lifetime issues extend to family, friends, caregivers and others.

Daily, brain injury survivors face a variety of challenges, including diminished social skills, reduced cognitive reasoning, impaired speech and mobility, memory loss and an inability to perform tasks that were second nature prior to injury, as well as many other issues. Unlike a broken bone or other injury that can heal or be repaired, brain cells that are physically damaged do not regenerate.

Many traumatic brain injuries are

caused by failure to wear a helmet while cycling, skateboarding, snowboarding, tobogganing or in-line skating. Every year more than 60 children in Ontario die in bicycle involved accidents and 75 per cent of these deaths are as a result of brain injuries. (All statistics quoted are from the National Pediatric Trauma Registry.) In addition, more than 5,000 children suffer head injuries serious enough to require hospitalization — a staggering statistic.

The number of serious head injuries can be reduced by 85 per cent by the wearing of a properly fitted, approved helmet.

It is important to note that an adult's brain is no better protected than a child's. However, because our current laws for mandatory wearing of bicycle helmets apply only to those under the age of 18, a large percentage of adults feel that wearing a helmet is not necessary, virtually guaranteeing that children will discard their helmets when they become 18.

It is becoming increasingly apparent that constant helmet safety awareness programs are not having the desired effect by way of convincing everyone that the wearing of helmets is the only

way of effecting a reduction of serious head (brain) injuries. (It is estimated that more than 6,200 adult Ontario residents with brain injuries are living with multiple disabilities.)

The purpose of this letter is to strongly urge those with the power to enact the necessary legislation to make it mandatory for everyone riding a bicycle to wear an approved helmet (as it is for motorcycles), and for children, at least to the age of 16, to wear helmets when snowboarding, skateboarding, in-line skating and tobogganing. The increase in popularity of these activities in recent years is reflected in a dramatic increase in reported head injuries.

It is important that this legislation have some teeth to reinforce the importance of this law. Requiring a helmet does not place an undue financial burden on an individual. A helmet is a relatively inexpensive method of preventing an injury. The saving of many lives and hundreds of thousands of dollars in health care costs may very well depend on establishing this legislation.

Larry Heard
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A little Joy at Christmas

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ber and across the street Barry Cray is pulling his kids on a sleigh behind the riding snow blower and the black and white dog is running along with them and the trees are covered with snow.

It's a Christmas card.

An elderly gentleman comes into the store and has to call his wife to see if she wants one or two pounds of dates and he

signs off with "Luv ya", as he probably always has.

With all of this, my heart warms.

It is Christmas and the trees are beautiful, aren't they?

So, come on folks, keep those warm hearts and carry compassion with you all through the year.

Happy New Year,
Joy.

The red taped reindeer wrangler

Bureaucracy: a giant mechanism operated by pygmies.

Honore de Balzac

It is a popular fiction that we are ruled by prime ministers, presidents, kings, aristocrats, tyrants or generals. A fiction. We are, in fact, ruled by bureaucrats. Even Czar Nicholas the First understood that. "I do not rule Russia," mourned the Czar, "ten thousand clerks do."

And you can multiply that by 100 for this nation. Canada: a ten million square kilometre package completely enshrouded in red tape. A country where it took more than two years to put away a piece of human sputum like Paul Bernardo — even though authorities had home movies of his crimes. A country where Royal Commissions drone on for years and years and spend millions upon millions of dollars to reach portentous conclusions which are then solemnly wrapped in vellum and leather and stuck on a shelf to moulder.

We have a talent for bureaucracy in this country — and it goes back a ways — to 1929 at least. That's when Ottawa set up something called The International Reindeer Sub-Committee.

This was the federal government's attempt to deal with a serious problem in the far north. In the late 20's the massive caribou herds that crossed the Mackenzie delta each year suddenly and unaccountably changed their customary migration route. They no longer passed anywhere near Inuit settlements. It looked as if the Inuit people of the Mackenzie delta might be facing starvation.

Which is when someone had a brainwave. Right next to the Northwest territories was Alaska, where specialists were raising huge herds of reindeer to

see how they would fare in the North American Arctic. Why not, someone reasoned, purchase a herd of these beasts and 'trail drive' them to the Mackenzie delta?

A deal was struck. The Feds paid for 2,000 head of Alaskan reindeer and a Laplander named Andy Bahr was hired to drive them to the Mackenzie.

Meanwhile, back in cosy Ottawa, the Reindeer Sub-Committee was formed, to ensure that the operation was 'carried out properly'. After suitable deliberation, the sub-committee members decreed that a reasonable length of time for the trek would be eighteen months.

They were only out by four and a half years. It took Andy Bahr six heart-breaking, spirit-shredding years to move those reindeer across some of the most forbidding landscape in the world. En route he faced bone-chilling blizzards in the winter; and summertime temperatures in excess of 100 Fahrenheit. Not to mention blitzkriegs of blood-sucking insects as well as wolves, bears, drought, floods and the threat of mutiny on the tundra from his increasingly maddened crew.

God even had some special trials in store for Andy Bahr. Half way to his destination, 300 reindeer stampeded and headed back towards Alaska. Andy spent six months backtracking to find them and round them up.

In the spring of 1934, Andy Bahr had managed to get a herd of some 2,000 reindeer within 50 miles of their final destination near the Mackenzie delta. Suddenly a twig snapped. An antlered head whipped up. Two thousand animals wheeled as one and galloped back in the direction of Alaska. It meant that Andy who was virtually within sight of his goal, would have to spend another year in

the wilderness.

All this and more, Andy Bahr, the stoic Laplander, might have borne. He was, after all, used to the primitive, not to say perverse, ways of reindeer.

He was not, however, prepared for the sophisticated mores of Ottawa.

The Reindeer Sub-Committee plagued him with cables and telegrams. Each time he made camp near a outpost with electricity, there were messages awaiting him from the pencil pushers in Ottawa.

- Please enumerate the gender specificity of the reindeer herd to date. To wit: the male/female ratio vis a vis mature and immature components.

- It has come to our attention that a lone female caribou has been feeding and travelling with the herd for the past two seasons. Please ensure that said caribou is NOT included in the final head count, as it cannot be considered to be from the original reindeer breeding stock.

Well, come to that, neither could eighty percent of the reindeer herd that Andy Bahr finally delivered. Most of them had been born on the tundra during the six years it took to make the trek.

Andy Bahr started out on the last great trek of his life as a hale, savvy Laplander wise in the ways of reindeer. He ended it as a disillusioned, toothless 65-year old man who 'never wanted to see Canada again.' Friends said that the Canadian Arctic tried Andy's will, but the Canadian government broke his spirit.

There is a saying among the Lapps who tend reindeer. They say "You don't move the herd. The herd moves you."

That may be true of natural forces like reindeer, but not, as Andy Bahr learned to his cost, of bureaucracy.

There is nothing natural about bureaucracy.

On the Street

by Times Staff

BANK MANAGERS ON THE MOVE

The Minden CIBC will have a new face in the manager's office in the new year, at least on a temporary basis. Current manager Graham Knight has been assigned to Lindsay for the next few months. Diane Chantler will take over as the interim branch manager on January first.

Chantler, currently the manager at the Bracebridge CIBC branch, will travel to Minden on Tuesdays and Thursdays, to look after operations while Graham Knight will be managing the Lindsay branch, until the current manager returns from maternity leave.

"I am confident that Diane will help the branch continue to provide them same level of service that our customers in Minden have grown accustomed to," said Graham. "The two of us are working together to ensure that the impact on our customers during my leave from Minden is minimal."



BY THE BOOK: Jennifer Wasmund, left, of the Haliburton, Kawartha and Pine Ridge District Health Unit and Kathy Stouffer of Masters Bookstore in Haliburton help three year-old Nichole Honderick of Wilberforce choose a book as her prize in a recent contest sponsored by the Health Unit. Honderick was selected as a winner because her mother called the Preschool Speech and Language Phone Line, set up for parents to access information about their children's speech and communication development. For more information call the phone line at 1-800-416-3260.



Diane Chantler with Minden CIBC manager Graham Knight.

PHOTOGRAPHS

We had a chat with a local business person the other day about the Santa Claus parade pictures appearing in this newspaper. He was commenting that his business had put a great deal of effort into a float for the Minden and Haliburton parades and was disappointed when a photo of it did not appear in the newspaper.

We appreciate his concern and are well aware of the many hours of hard work that business managers and staff put into creating an exciting and colourful entry for a parade. Naturally, at an event like a parade, the reporters take many more photos than we can possibly print. It is not unusual for the staff to

sift through 100 pictures or more following a parade.

There are any number of criteria used in selecting photos which appear in the newspaper. We look for photos that show the excitement and theme of the event; photos that capture the variety and flavour of the day; and colourful pictures with people and action. There are other, more technical factors, such as colour, composition, an attempt to portray a variety of views and perspectives, etc.

When selecting what appears in a photo spread we rely as much on intuition and experience as on anything else. The end result, we hope, is a pleasing representation of the fun and excitement of the event being captured on film.

While this explanation likely will not satisfactorily answer the question why certain photos appear and other don't, we hope it offers a brief insight into what criteria are used to create a photo layout.

UP, UP AND AWAY

The real estate company that is known by its big red, white and blue hot air balloons will soon be taking its logo to new heights. Dave Liniger, chairman of Re/Max International, a company with franchise offices in the Highlands, will be attempting to fly around the world in a helium filled balloon.

Launching from Alice Springs in the middle of Australia, the three man team, headed by Liniger, plans to circumnavigate the world at a height of 130,000 feet. In doing so, they hope to be the first manned balloon flight to go around the world as well as set a new manned balloon altitude record. The crew plans to carry out a number of scientific experiments during the trip, which is expected to take 16 to 18 days.

Accompanying Liniger will be Bob Martin, a science reporter from Albuquerque, New Mexico and John Wallington, a pilot from Australia. While aloft in their pressurized capsule, the trio will also be in touch with the world far below, via phone, video link and posting updates of their progress on a website (www.remax.com/balloon).

The launch is expected to take place sometime after December 27.



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Tri-County Atoms play four games in four days

A whirlwind series of four games in four days resulted in a single win for the Minden Tri-County Atom Monarchs hockey team.

Rockets 7, Monarchs 6

The four-game stint started on December 17, when the Monarchs played host to the Wilberforce Rockets.

The Monarchs struck first, taking a 2-0 lead. Steve Draker was the first Minden sharpshooter and Travis Walker made it 2-0. Cody Mills assisted on both markers.

Wilberforce rebounded with three in a row to take over the lead at 3-2. But Walker scored his second of the game, tying it up at 3-3. Adam Googh assisted.

The Rockets notched three more consecutive goals, building a 6-3 lead and making it difficult for the Monarchs to catch up. But the Minden squad didn't give up. Draker put one past the Wilberforce goaltender, assisted by Mills and Jake Ruddy. Wilberforce responded by putting one more past Minden goalie Jacob Crowe to restore the three-goal lead.

The Monarchs continued to chip away at the Wilberforce lead, scoring two more, cutting the Rockets' advantage to a single goal. David McGlade scored the fifth Minden goal, from Mills, and Walker rounded out his hat trick with an unassisted effort.

But time ran out before the Monarchs could get the equalizer, allowing the Rockets to escape with the 7-6 win.

Monarchs 4, Oakwood 1

The next day, the Monarchs traveled to Oakwood for their second game in as many days.

Steve Draker scored the only goal of the first period, unassisted, for a 1-0 Minden lead.

Oakwood tied the game in the second period, but it would be the only time the host team got one past Minden goalie Tyler Anderson.

The third period saw the Monarchs come out flying. They scored three unanswered goals to claim the victory. Adam Googh notched an unassisted marker, which proved to be the game winner. Cody Mills added the third Minden goal and Draker notched an insurance goal with three minutes left. Walker picked up two assists in the 4-1 win.

Oakwood 4, Minden 1

Home ice was no more an advantage for the Monarchs than it was for the Oakwood team the day before, as the Minden team found out on December 19. The Oakwood team got a measure of revenge, going home with a 4-1 win.

Minden fell behind 3-0 by the end of the second period.

Cody Mills cut the Oakwood lead to 3-1 five minutes into the third frame, assisted by Judd Campbell, but that was as close as the Monarchs would get. Oakwood added one more before the game ended for the 4-1 win.

Rockets 8, Monarchs 2

A rematch with the Rockets in Wilberforce on Sunday, December 20 saw the host team skate to an 8-2 victory over the Monarchs.

Minden captain Travis Walker notched both of his team's replies. Cody Mills assisted on both goals.



Playoff action

The Minden Curling Club's Friday Night mixed League playoffs are under way. The action above is from the quarterfinals between Ed Cyr and Paul Prentice. Eight teams squared off for the quarterfinals, with four going on to the semifinals after the Junior Champions, which are scheduled for the Minden Curling Club from January 5 to 10. The semifinals will take place on Wednesday, January 13, with the finals slated for Friday, January 15.

Peewee A Monarchs tie Fenelon Falls

Two second-period goals by Benji Saunders gave the Minden OMHA Peewee Monarchs a tie against Fenelon Falls. David Petch assisted on the first and Kolt Smith and Daryl Arbour set up the second.

The game was played in Minden on December 19.

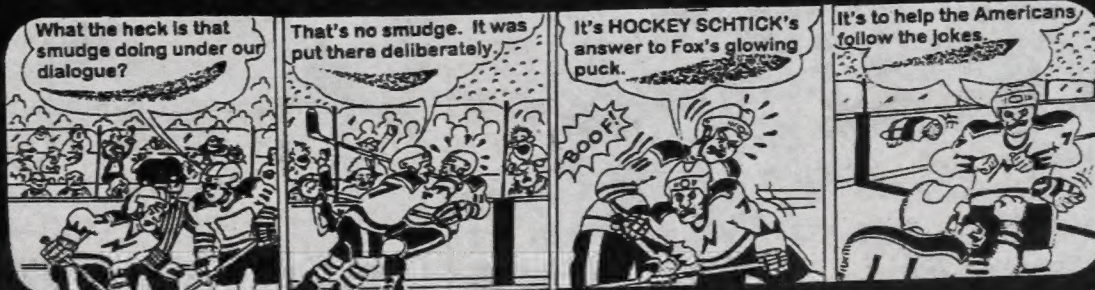
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Great Midget game ends in 1-1 draw

Minden's Midget Monarchs hockey team played its best game of the season in Millbrook on December 17.

With just nine skaters, the Monarchs were equal to Millbrook's 14-man squad.

Three of Minden's skaters were out of the lineup with injuries, but the remaining team members were up to the challenge. The three casualties were from a game in Omamee. Blaine Saunders suffered broken

ribs, Adam Payne suffered a concussion and Mitch Johnson sustained a separated shoulder in that game.

The Millbrook game, which featured end-to-end action, ended in a 1-1 draw.

Cam Neville was the Minden marksman, with Mike Hamilton assisting.

Millbrook took eight minutes in penalties and Minden was assessed four minutes.

Atom A Monarchs prevail over Cannington 1 team with 4-3 win

Minden's hockey fans were treated to an exciting game Saturday, December 19 when the Atom B Monarchs played host to the Cannington 1 team.

The Monarchs got off to a good start, netting the game's first two goals. Derek Nesbitt notched the first goal, from Davis Reynolds and Ryan Kerr. Colin Callaghan made it 2-0, assisted by Zachary Pierson.

Cannington came right back, scoring two in a row to tie the game before the end of the first period.

Minden jumped in front again with the lone goal of the middle frame. Nesbitt was the marksman, assisted by Kerr.

Late in the third period, Cannington scored again, knotting the score at 3-3. That goal came with 3:08 remaining in the game.

Nesbitt notched the game winner, his third of the game, with 1:22 remaining and Minden recorded the 4-3 win.

Three goal deficit too great for Atom A Monarchs

Starting their offense too late cost the Minden Atom OMHA Monarchs the game. The Monarchs played host to Woodville on December 19, giving up the first three goals to the visitors. Woodville's third goal was in the first minute of the third period.

The Monarchs got one back three minutes later when Mark Fisher beat the Woodville goalie. Darrin Brown assisted. Then, with just under two minutes left in the game, Fisher scored again, closing the gap to 3-2. Brown set that one up as well.

But the rally was too late and the Woodville team kept Minden from scoring the equalizer.

Beaverton 8, Minden 5

Two days earlier, the Monarchs tangled with Beaverton. They ended up on the short end of an 8-5 score. Darrin Brown scored two of Minden's goals and assisted on a third. Mark Fisher added a goal and one assist, with Kody Smith and Sean Keaney adding a goal each. Aaron Keaney picked up a pair of assists and Justin McKelvey had one helper to his credit.

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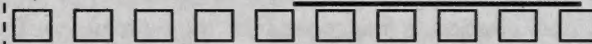
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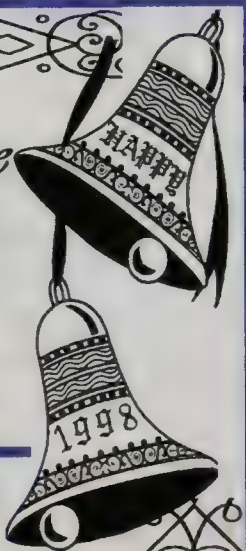


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Somerville upset over county garbage take-over

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Somerville Township held an emergency meeting recently in response to the decision by Victoria County Council to assume full responsibility for all waste management activities, including diversion and collections. The County passed the motion to take over the responsibility by a recorded vote of 14 to 10.

Somerville Township will be one of the most adversely affected by the County's decision. "We currently are the only municipality that has employees who deliver our waste management program. I will not be placed in the position of having to lay them off, when I do not feel that the County has given individual councils or the public an opportunity to have input into this decision," said Reeve Dianne Austin.

The County made the decision to take over waste management based on an overall estimated savings of \$123,000. However, the financial impact to individual townships will vary. The Township of Verulam, according to the County's report, will pay an

estimated \$6,310 to \$23,410 more per year to provide its ratepayers with waste management services.

The Township of Somerville, in the County's report, is currently paying \$103,290. Under the County's jurisdiction, the services would be provided at a cost of somewhere between \$90,400 and \$106,100.

However, what the County figures do not reveal is that 67 unassumed roads within the Township of Somerville will no longer receive garbage or diversion pick-up. "This is an estimated loss of services to our residents of \$45,000 to \$50,000. Waste management is a major visible service that we provide to our ratepayers and we are not prepared to see those services be diminished without a fight," Austin said.

A motion calling on the County of Victoria to exempt the Township of Somerville from the County's waste management was passed unanimously by the members of council and will be presented by the reeve at the next session of County Council.

The Township of Somerville has also extended

an invitation to those councils whose representatives at County Council voted against the County motion, in order that a combined plan of action to prevent the takeover can be adopted.

"If the whole purpose of takeover is to increase diversion levels away from the landfill sites, which is what we are being told, our township feels that the same results could be achieved by co-operation and joint planning between the municipalities. It does not require this heavy handed approach by the County," Austin said.

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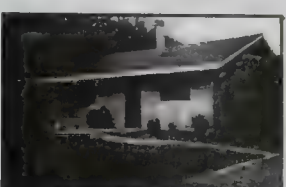
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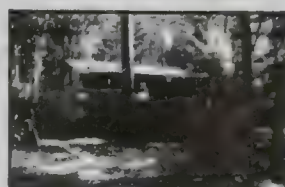
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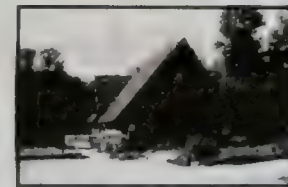
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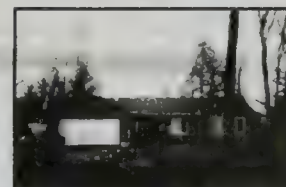
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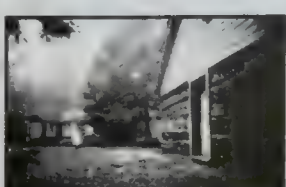
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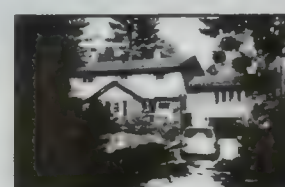
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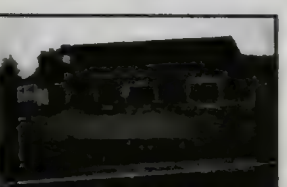
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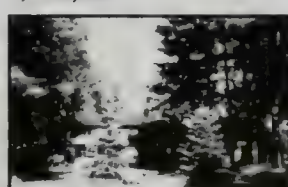
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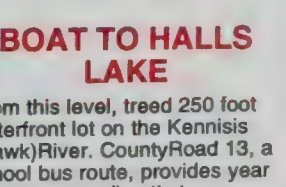
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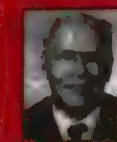
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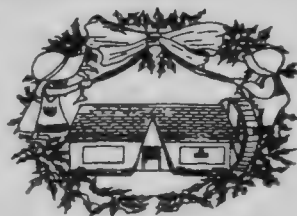
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Magazine assembly

by Sarah Marshall and Nathan Greer,
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Students from Ms. Brouwers', Ms. Marsden's and Mrs. Rogers' grade two classes spent part of an afternoon ripping up old copies of newspapers. The youngsters were making a non-toxic, washable and easy to use clay.

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When the children returned to school, they added flour and salt to the newspaper mixture and took turns stirring it. When the mixture was just right the stirring ended and the grade two students laid newspaper over their desks and ran up to get their home made clay.

The children started by kneading the clay until it was soft and flexible. After the kneading, they started to mould Christmas creations such as bells, tree wreaths, Santas, and baskets. The chatter in the classroom was all about what was being made and who was going to receive the creations. By the end of the day, the children had made many design and all of the students had itchy and dry hands.

I'm sure that all people who receive one of these wonderful ornaments will be delighted!

It was an entertaining afternoon Friday, December 4 when the annual magazine sales wrap up assembly was held in the gym.

Lots of kids and teachers were involved in this event. The performances at the assembly included: the song YMCA performed by the student council; Nick's makeover; the critter capers dog show by Mr. Johnson; the clothes

switch by Mrs. Roodenburg and Mr. Bothwell; Mr. Darlington's unicycle ride; the hair cut received by Mr. Parish and styled by Mrs. Payne; Spice Girls Lip Sync performed by Mrs. Bennett as Posh Spice, Mrs. Berube as Sporty Spice, Mrs. Clarke as Ginger Spice, Mrs. Mark as Scary Spice and Mrs. Callaghan as Baby Spice.

Mr. Carter and Mr. Bothwell performed a Backstreet Boys song. The assembly ended with Daniel Scott firing a pie into Mr. Bothwell's face. These performances were exciting and fun to watch. It is one of the best events of the year.

Magazine sales began on October 9 and ended November 2. Through magazine sales this year, approximately \$26,000 was made in one week. Our

school will receive a portion of this money to purchase things needed in the school.

The top selling class was Mr. Johnson's grade six's, with runners up being Mr. Dawson's grade seven class and Mrs. Adams' grade eights. Magazine sales have been held for 13 years now. It is a very profitable fund raiser that happens at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and is one of the students' favourites.

We give a special thanks to all the money managers, student council representatives and alternates, grade eight helpers and a very special thanks to Mrs. Adams. Most of all, thank you to the community for supporting us and buying or renewing your magazine subscriptions when we called on you.



Alex Voicey and Jared Gardner stir the clay ingredients together for their Christmas creations.

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Earlier this year members of the Kushog Lake Cottagers Association recognized the need to assist with the capital works taking place at the Minden and Haliburton Hospital sites. The group voted to donate \$750 to the cause. Don Hall, right, of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation board of directors, accepted the contribution from Christine Macartney and Harvie Beadle, members of the association's executive.

Phone counselling service now available

-submitted-

The Board of Directors of the Lindsay Suicide Prevention Line has announced that a new telephone counselling service has started operation, serving all residents in the greater Lindsay area and local calling area, including Minden.

This new line will be staffed by a professional social worker, specializing in suicide prevention and crisis intervention. In addition, counselling for the disabled and their families is available.

As well as being free, professional, convenient and confidential, callers may remain anonymous if they so desire. In the majority of cases, suicide is

brought on by a temporary situation in the victim's life. The counsellors are trained to show people that there are alternatives. "The goal is to help clients help themselves through these difficult times," a spokesman said.

Initially, the line will be open five days a week, eight hours a day: Tuesday to Thursday 3 pm to 11 pm. Friday and Saturday from 4 to 12 pm. Members of the community, wishing to access the line should call 705-324-4488.

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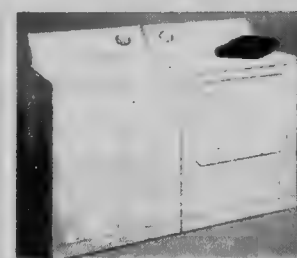
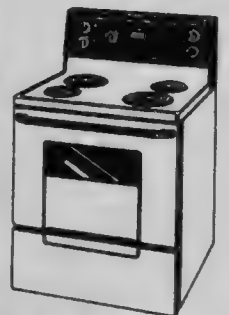
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Mediators helping to solve problems on the playground

by Chantelle Therien and Kya Lewis, Ridgewood Public School Press Club

In late September, grade six and seven students of Ridgewood Public School started going to a program call "Peacekeepers", run by Mrs. O'Dell, and Mrs. Austin. The program was to teach them how to mediate problems in the primary and junior grades.

In early October, the students were set to work. Peer mediating is a great opportunity for older kids to get to know the primary students, and the problems that they have. The students help supervise the children. This allows staff to solve more problems with younger students. The mediating process is working quite well, and is solving more problems each day. The students know who to go to if they don't want to talk to the teacher because the grade six and seven mediators might have had the same problems when they were young.

The mediators have learned to listen to all sides, not to take sides, and to help the students find a compromise solution to their problems.



PEER MEDIATORS: Back row from the left are, Mike Janke, Kasey Nicholson, Alanna Martin, Jenni Perneroski, Kya Lewis, Chantelle Therien, Mrs. O'Dell, Crystal Archer, Krista Lauchlan, Mrs. Austin, Sarah Grozelle, Tayla Hughes, Jaclyn Zanatto and Sabrina Silk. In the front are, Cynthia Brown, Lydia Fogwell, Michelle Simmons, Caitlin Kooger, Angie Stirk, Michelle Boehm, and Lhisha Bennett.

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The Planning Partnership won four of twelve Ontario Professional Planners Institute Excellence in Planning awards. The winning projects included a secondary plan for the City of Vaughan Corporate Centre, urban design guidelines for the downtown of

the City of North York, a new Official Plan for the Town of Fort Frances and a study of the issue of density for the office of the Greater Toronto Area. "We were very honoured and pleased to receive this kind of recognition," said Bob Lehman, senior partner and director of practice, in a press release.

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Hindon and Minden since 1983. The company now has offices in both Barrie and Toronto, with a staff of 20.

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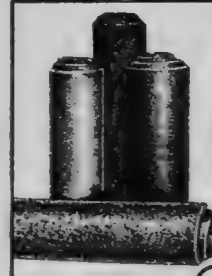
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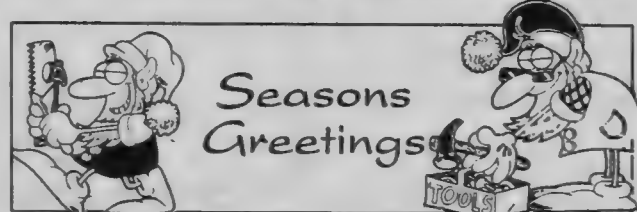
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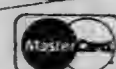
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Connecting: in touch with the world around you

guest column by Marci Mandell

I found a bookstore north of Toronto that I really liked, so when I returned to the area, I stopped in.

Unfortunately it was closed, so I stepped into a gem and rock store next door and looked around. It had some beautiful stones and jewelry, yet most memorable was this wonderful woman. She was the friendly, nurturing type that you immediately felt so comfortable with — no criticisms, no judgements, just a gentle, caring manner.

We got talking about this and that, and as I was ready to leave, she offered a gem of wisdom to me: "If you want to connect with something, like a bird, say: 'I see the bird. The bird sees me.' If you're stuck in traffic, everything has a pattern you can connect with, say: 'I see the traffic. The traffic sees me.'"

I got home and told my husband about it, but he just rolled his eyes, until...

We were out in the canoe playing this game we have looking for a pina colada bottle that fell into the lake (it's a long story — and yes, we had fun). I decided to try the phrase out: "I see the bottle. The bottle sees me." Lo and behold, I spotted a bottle. We've been looking for that bottle for three years, so this was very exciting!

I jumped out of the canoe, dove down and retrieved it. Unfortunately it was the wrong bottle, but hey, it was a bottle!

I tried again: "I see the bottle. The bottle sees me." We paddled a bit more. And there...there was another bottle! Again it turned out to be the wrong bottle. But imagine how amazed I was. We had been looking for three years and found nothing and today we found two bottles! I was thrilled.

I decided to try the phrase out on something else. I have a Great Pyrenees, a big white dog that will not come. I let her run in the bush when there's no one around, but I like her to stay close. Well, she had taken off, was no where in sight, so I tried the phrase on her: "I see Morgan. Morgan sees me. Come here Morgan." A few moments later, I heard a panting sound, and out of the bush she came. I couldn't believe it and thought it was just a fluke, so I tried it again a little later. It worked again. What a relief it was to be able to connect with her.

Then this morning I was out with her and I let her run. I began to wonder if a neighbour was around and started to worry about Morgan harassing him. In a panic, I used the phrase, but Morgan didn't appear. I began to feel like an idiot for letting her go and started questioning myself. Then I began to think about trust and how I was saying the words but not believing

them. So I relaxed my shoulders and my mind and said: "I see Morgan. Morgan sees me. I trust you Morgan. Come here." It took a few minutes, I don't know where she was, but she came right to me and let me put her lead back on.

It was a good lesson about trust: letting things happen instead of trying to force them. When I'm in a frantic state and stop trusting myself, trusting what I believe in, then I'm disconnected from myself, my intuition and I'm alone and lost. But if I trust that all is at it should be, then I can relax and reconnect and achieve my goals.

As for my husband, he doesn't roll his eyes anymore when I talk about using the phrase. He's seen it work. In fact he's starting to trust in the connectedness of all things and use the phrase himself. He was away on business and called to tell me that he used it at the airport luggage carousel. Waiting for his suitcase he said: "I see my luggage. My luggage sees me." And it came!

I went back to that store to thank that woman for sharing her gem with me. The store was closed and a 'For Lease' sign hung in the window. I was so disappointed that I couldn't share with her the world she opened up for me. Though I trust she heard me when I said, "I see the Tumbled Rock woman. The Tumbled Rock woman sees me."

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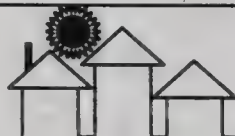
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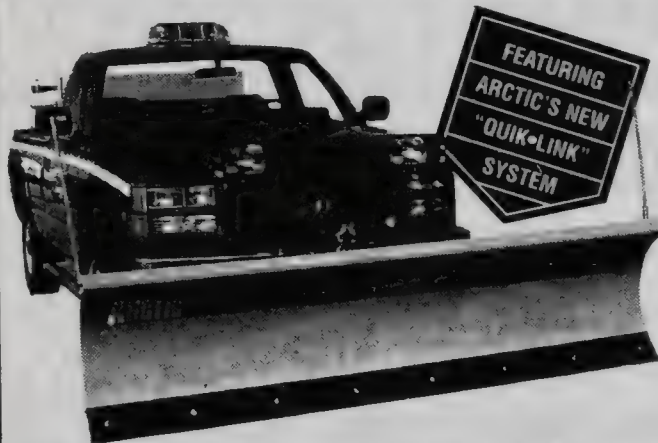
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Hindon & Minden committee room
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(Our snow dates are Jan. 30 & 31.)

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Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4450 or fax 286-4425)

I hope you are having a wonderful holiday season!! As I write, the snow has fallen and is looking like Christmas is supposed to look. The boughs of the trees are heavily laden with snow. It is picture perfect. I wonder if it has lasted until today? I hope so. Those

who love the out-of-doors, especially the children, can finally be outside enjoying winter as it should be enjoyed. I also hope the roads are safe for those of us travelling to be with friends and family. Keep safe everyone and enjoy!!



MERRY CHRISTMAS ONE AND ALL: In the true spirit of Christmas giving, Christopher Greaves left, and Chris Lynd, right, present cheques of \$1,223.75 to Dale Walker of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and Fay Martin of Family Services of Haliburton County. The money was raised at the reading of Dickens' A Christmas Carol at St. George's Anglican Church in late November. Part of the mandate of the event was to raise money toward supporting families and children in the area.

I have heard that Jeanne Sears is in the Lindsay hospital as of this writing. She underwent surgery on December 13. We are all pulling for you Jeanne and wishing you a speedy recovery and return to Minden.

Myles and Glenda Morrison, with their son Brent visited with Myles' mother, Alice Morrison, at Hyland Crest for a couple of days before Christmas. Their little dog, Casey was also with them and he is a favourite with all the residents there. Myles loves to return to Minden where he grew up.

It feels strange to know that you will be reading this column when the big day is over, whereas I am still involved in getting ready for it. I hope all the hustle and bustle has paid off: but of course it always does. I know also that Christmas is a difficult day for some of us. I hope that some joy was found in whatever circumstances you found yourself. Maybe the beautiful winter wonderland helped connect you to warm feelings and good memories.

Best wishes to everyone at this time of the year. Then we will be into the last year of the 20th century!!

SCORING NEWS

Only two sets of bridge scores this week. Some of you are taking time away from the tables between Christ-

mas and New Year's and for some the Christmas deadline for the paper interferes with getting your scores in. We should be swamped with scores in January!!

At Park Lane on December 15, playing duplicate bridge, Ross Davies and Stella McMillan were first. Mike Collins and Nick Lehoczky were second and Vera Carnochan and Mayme Douglas were third.

Playing duplicate bridge at Echo Hills last week, Muriel McIntosh and Ross Fletcher were the top team. Jim Aikmen and Jim Matthews were second and Maria Lehoczky and Judy Neimen were third. You will notice Mike Collins and Nick Lehoczky are not in the winners circle!! That must be a first, Muriel and Ross accomplished a real coup!!

The only other results for the week are for Euchre played at the Legion on December 12. Elva Paisley and Norm Lee got most lone hands. Carol Hill and Rob Evans had the high scores. Gladys Wruth and Ralph Schroder got the lows. Only two other prizes to Jim Bradbury and John Mallon.

Best wishes to all the card players. I am sure you will be glad to get back to your routines in the new year. See you then!!



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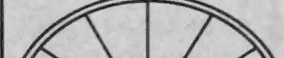
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John 15:12

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I should like to thank all the people at Hyland Crest who took such good care of my mother, Mary Cassidy. A heartfelt thank you to all my many friends for their support when I needed them the most, especially Anne and for Footsteps in the Sand and to Kirsten Monk for arranging everything. To all of you, thanks.

Marie Dennie.

THANK YOU

You haven't lost your touch Marg Miller. All the best for 1999 and thanks for the wonderful goodies you so kindly left for all of us.
The Times Staff.

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In our lonely hours of thinking
Thoughts of them are ever near.
Days of sadness will come o'er us,
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But they little know the sorrow
That lies in the heart concealed.
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*I can see you from the Heavens
As you work around our home
Though you think that I have
left you
You will never be alone.
We have shared too many years
Through laughter and through
tears
Through happiness and fears
For me to leave you.
Can you see me in the moon-
light
As I dance upon the stars
Brushing stardust from the
Heavens
Down upon your cheek,
Stardust kisses I will give you
Each and every night,
So you know how much I love
you
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Can you feel my hand in your
hand
As you walk the path of life,
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Please don't mourn for me too
long
For I am up where I belong
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Can you hear my gentle voice
As I whisper in your ear,
Please tell my children how I
love them
That I shall always be so near.
When our grandsons ask you
why
They cannot see their Grand-
pa's face
Wrap them gently in your arms
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sky.
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Always loving you,
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IN MEMORIAM

PARK - In loving memory of Olive, who passed away January 2, 1995.

*A heart of gold stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove
to us
He only takes the best.
The leaves and flowers may
wither,
The golden sun may set,
But the hearts that loved you
dearly,
Are the ones that never forget.
My heart still aches as I whis-
per low,
God Bless you Olive, we love
you so
Our loss, Heaven's gain.
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families.*

DODD, Nell Elizabeth - In loving memory of a wonderful wife, mother, step-mother, grand-mother, step-grandmother and great-great-grandmother and step-great-great-grandmother, known to all the grandchildren as Grandy, who left us January 2, 1998.

*This month comes with sad re-
gret,
That brings a day we can't for-
get,
You passed away without good-
bye,
But our memories of you will
never die.
We miss you more than anyone
knows,
As each day passes, the empti-
ness grows,
The tears we shed we can wipe
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But the ache in our hearts will
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Sadly missed by all,
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Regarding Proposed Development Charges By-Law

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 1999, commencing at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario to consider a proposed Development Charges By-law pursuant to the Development Charges Act, 1997.

PURPOSE OF THE BY-LAW The proposed By-law will replace the existing Development Charges By-Law with a new Development Charges By-law for the entire Municipality. Development Charges are a charge against new development to compensate for the net capital cost of growth.

REPRESENTATION

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of, or opposition to, the proposed by-law.

INFORMATION

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW and related background information is available for inspection at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday)

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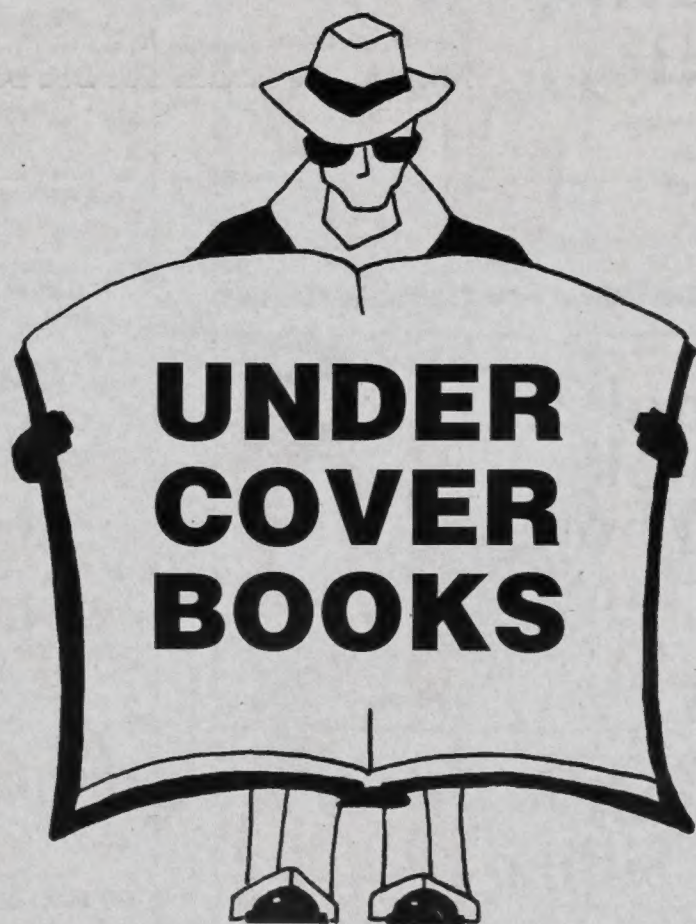
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